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C. W. HOWARD, Secretary. WESTERN MARKET WILL BE OPEN ON

MONDAY, DECEMBER THE 24TH, FROM 5 O'CLOCK A. M. UNTIL 9 P. M. d22-2t*

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The polls will be opened at 12 m and closed at 2 p. m.
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THE MARKET SPACE

Washington News and Gossip. To-Morrow being a legal holiday, no paper will

be issued from this office. ALLOWED TO RESIGN.-Ensign E. W. Nash, who was sentenced to dismissal by court martial for scandalous conduct, has been allowed to resign from the navy. His resignation was accepted to-day to take effect immediately.

SPEAKER CARLISLE Will remain in the city during the holidays. THE REQUEST OF NAVY YARD EMPLOYES TO BE

PAID FOR HOLIDAYS .- Secretary Chandler stated. in answer to inquiries, that he had not decided to grant the request of the navy yard employes for full pay on Christmas and New Year. He added, however, that he was desirous of giving them all the privileges he could legally, but he was doubtful if any law could be found which would warrant him in granting their request.

PENSION ATTORNEYS SUSPENDED.-The Secretary of the Interior has suspended from practice before the Pension office N.W. Fitzgerald, S. C. Fitzgerald, Fitzgerald & Co. and A. B. Webb, pension attorneys, of this city, pending the disposition of the inlictments returned against them by the grand A MATTER OF REGRET.-It is a matter of regret

to learn that Col. Emil Frey, the Swiss minister,

contemplates resigning at an early day, with a

view of permanently returning to Switzerland. Col.

Frey, who was a brave officer in our Union army, has made a host of friends in Washington during his stay here as the representative of Switzerland. ARMY ORDERS .- First Lieut. John J. Dougherty, 11th infantry, is relieved from duty on the recruiting service and will rejoin his company in the department of Dakota. First Lieut. Ernest A. Garington, 7th cavalry, is placed on waiting orders from the 1st instant until further orders. The resignation of Cadet Nathan B. Miller, 4th class, U.S. military academy, has been accepted by the Secretary of War, to take effect January 20, 1884. First Lieut. William A. Dinwiddie, 2d cavalry, will report by letter to Col. Romeyn B. Ayres, 2d artillery, president of the army retiring board convened at Washington barracks, D. C., and will hold himself n readiness to appear before the board for examiation when summoned. The leave of First Lieut. Frederick W. Kingsbury, 2d cavalry, is extended three months. Major Samuel B. M. Young, 3d cavairy, is detailed as a member of the army retiring board convened at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, vice

Has removed to his new Store, 604 9th street, three doors above F street, where he has a fine stock of goods for the holidays, at low prices.

Lieut. Col. John J. Coppinger, 18th infantry, relieved, to take effect December 22, 1883. TO THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE CENTRAL NATIONAL BANK, OF WASHINGTON CITY.—The annual election of eleven directors of the Central National Bank, of Washington City, will be held at the Bank, corner of 7th street and Louisiana avenue, on TUESDAY, January 8th, 1884, between the hours of the catalogue contains a list of about 4,000 articles. begin January 15th, and will be continued until the Secretary of State and communications, docuthe entire collection is disposed of. The printed | ments and papers in his possession relating to the The accumulation of these articles in late years has been so rapid that Major Dallas, the chief of the division, has been compelled to have the sales | select committees of the House. once a year instead of every two years.

> THE BODIES OF DE LONG AND PARTY.-Secretary Chandler has received a cable message from Minister Hunt, at St. Petersburg, dated the 23d inst., which says that he has received a telegram from Lieuts. Harber and Scheutze, stating that they left Irkutsk on the 21st inst. with the bodies of De Long and party, and were escorted out of the city by the military and civil authorities and a vast concourse

> GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS CLOSED .- The Treasury, Interior, and War departments were closed today. The other executive departments suspended business at noon. In accordance with general orders issued by the War and Navy departments, national salutes were fired at the military posts and navy yards at noon in commenoration of day. The Postmaster General to-day closed the department shortly after 12 o'clock.

SOCIETY NOTES. Mr. and Mrs. L. Z. Leiter gave an afternoon tea on Saturday to their guests, Mrs. Matthew Arnold and daughter, which was attended by many perto lecture engagements, which occupy most of his to the regret of most of the guests. Upon the first Wednesday in January Miss Lily

Coffey gives her initial german. Commander Leary and wife leave Washington for Norfolk to pass Christmas with Mrs. Irwin, the mother of Mrs. Leary, with whom she traveled all summer, on account of the delicate health of the The engagement of Lieut. Commander Dana to Miss Frances Smith, of New York, is just announced. Mrs. Gouverneur, at her home on Corcoran street

has with her for the holidays her daughter and husband, Dr. and Mrs. Johnson, of Frederick, Md. Mrs. Johnson will be here for some weeks. About thirty little girls and boys assembled last Saturday afternoon at the residence of Miss Nina Beall, No. 941 Rhode Island avenue, to assist in celbrating the anniversary of her ninth birthday. Several hours were devoted to fun and frolic before each lad, accompanied by a sprightly miss, entered the dining room, where a beautiful repast awaited them. Naturally, the young people were delighted with their entertainment, and left with expressions of hope that Miss Nina may have many returns of the day.

Representative Lowry, of Indiana, will remain in the city during the holidays. He has taken for the winter the residence of Mr. McKee, 84 B street southeast. The Misses Boynton left last Friday to spend the holidays with relatives in New York .-- Miss

Mamie Jones, of Maryland, is staying with Miss Nicholson, daughter of Com. Nicholson.—Mrs. McMichael left recently for Philadelphia, where she will speng Christmas. - Mrs. J. A. Shackleford and daughter, Miss Genevieve, Miss Fannie Graham Lyell, and Mr. Alpha Cralle, left for their home on the northern neck of Virginia, by the steamer Sue, yesterday .- Miss Hattle Dyer, daughter of the late Gen. A. B. Dyer, is in the city, visiting Miss Blanche Magruder, 210 E street, and will remain until after the holidays.—Rear Admiral and Mrs. Cooper are at the Hygeia Hotel, Old Point Comfort.—Capt. Robert Boyd has taken house 1334 Q street.

The Star Route Counsel. TO RETIRE-WHY HE FEELS CONSTRAINED TO RE-

belief of Messrs. Merrick and Ker that there is no ope of convicting any of the star route defendants by a STAR reporter to-day Mr. Merrick said the statement that he had declared his purpose to re-

When his attention was called to this statement tire from the cases is unauthorized. He has desired to be relieved since shortly after the first trial, and would not have remained in the cases except for the reason that he is constrained by a sense Spinal Complaints in general.

Sew York office, Hotel Vendome. Hours 10 to 3, n23-2m in some matters of great importance affecting certain of the accused persons coincided with him in his judgment as to what ought to be done for their effective and vigorous prosecution when others did not agree with him, and he feels that he cannot therefore leave the cases with propriety. He says the Attorney General has been faithful to his duty and in dead earnest in these prosecutions, and firmly resolved from the first that they should be vigorously pressed without regard to the standing character or political affiliations of any defendant. If this has not been done, and done effectively, it is neither his fault nor the fault of the Attorney General. He added in reply to an inquiry that he had never seen the subpæna issued for Spencer nor the attachment until the atter was returned, about four weeks ago: that there may be some insignificant irregularities about them which he never should have re garded as worthy the slightest consideration. The judge, and not the counsel for Spencer, found them out. When asked in reference to their legal effect and the opinion of the court, he refused to give any further opinion, or to criticise the opinion of the court, saying emphatically that whatever was the law on Friday night, the law was now as the court had pronounced it on Saturday morning.

MR. KER'S REPORTED RESIGNATION. The newly appointed chief clerk, who was the only official on duty at the Department of Justice to-day, said he knew nothing whatever about the reported resignation of Mr. Ker. District Government Affairs The District buildings were closed at 1 o'clock to-day, by order of the Commissioners, except the col-lector's office, which was kept open for the accom-

modation of taxpayers. The Washington Anniversary. THE SALUTE-WASHINGTON RELICS—AN EXHIBITION AT THE STATE DEPARTMENT LIBRARY. At 12 o'clock to-day the guns at all the military posts fired a national salute in commemoration of the hundredth anniversary of the surrender by the hundredth anniversary of the surrender by General Washington of his commission as commander-in-chief of the armies of the United States. Salutes were also fired at that hour at all the U. S. navy yards which received the order of the Secretary of the Navy in time. Otherwise the salute will be fired at sundown this evening.

In the library of the State department the identical commission which Gen. Washington resigned at Annapolis a century ago was placed on exhibition to-day, together with several other papers of historical interest, and attracted considerable attention.

AT THE CAPITOL TO-DAY.

THE HOUSE COMMITTEES.

BRIEF SESSIONS OF BOTH HOUSES.

The Senate.

A SLIM ATTENDANCE. There were exactly one dozen Senators present in the chamber to-day when the Senate was called to order-seven democrats and five republicans. Secretary Teller was in the chamber.

PRAYER FOR GEN. SHERIDAN. In his prayer Rev. Dr. Huntley, chaplain, prayed for Gen. Sheridan. He invoked the Divine blessing upon the new General of the Army, that he may have all the qualifications necessary for his position. and that his future may be as useful and happy as his record as a soldier during the war was loyal This prayer led to some criticism of the chaplain

from democratic sources. All the comment, however, was very quiet. At the conclusion of the prayer several more Senators dropped in. The general expectation was

transaction of some unimportant morning business,

the Senate at 12.30 went into executive session and

shortly afterward adjourned to Monday, January

Confirmation by the Senate. The Senate, in executive session this afternoon, confirmed Royal A. Johnson, of New York, as surveyor general of Arizona, vice Joseph A. Robbins,

House of Representatives. THE O'DONNELL CORRESPONDENCE-THE COMMITTEES ANNOUNCED. When the House met this morning there was but

a small attendance of members.

The Speaker laid before the House a message from the President transmitting, in compliance with a House resolution of the 19th instant, the report of the Secretary of State and compliance with a fine Secretary of State and compliance with a secretary trial, conviction and execution of the late Patrick O'Donnell. Laid on the table for future action. The Speaker then announced the standing and At the conclusion of the reading of the committee appointments the House, at 12:45, on motion of Mr. Morrison, of Illinois, adjourned until Monday, January 7th, 1884.

The House Committees.

The following is the full list of House committees as announced by speaker Carlisle, the first name on each committee being that of the chairman: STANDING COMMITTEES

Elections .- Messrs. Turner, Ga.; Davis, Mo.; Converse, Ohio; Cook, Iowa; Bennett, N. C.; Lowry Ind.; Elliott, Pa.; Robertson, Ky.; J. J. Adams, 1 Y.; Ranney, Mass.; Pettibone, Tenn.; Miller, Pa.; Valentine, Neb.: Hepburn, Iowa: Hart, Ohio. Ways and Means.-Wesses, Worrison, Ill.; Mills Texas; Blount, Ga.; Blackburn, Ky.; Hewitt, N. Y.; Herbert, Ala.; Hurd, Ohio; Jones, Ark.; Kelly, Pa.; Kasson, Iowa; McKiniy, Onio; Hiscock, N. Y.; Rus-Appropriations.-Messrs, Randall, Pa; Forney Ala.; Ellis, La.; Holman, Ind.; Hancock, Tex.; Townshend, Ill.; Hutchins, N.Y.; Follett, Ohio; urnes, Mo.; Keifer, Ohio; Cannon, Ill.; Ryan. Kan.; Caikins, Ind.; Horr, Mich.; Washburn, Minn. Judiciary. Messrs. Tucker, Va.; Hammond, Ga.; Culberson, Tex.: Moulton, Ill.; Broadhead, Mo.; Dorshelmer, N.Y.; Collins, Mass.; Seney, Ohlo; Reed, Me.; E. D. Taylor, Ohlo; McCold, Iowa; Browne, Ind.: Poland, Vt. Banking and Currency.—Messrs. Buckner, Mo.; Ermentrout, Pa.; Potter, N.Y.; Hunt, La.; Müler, Texas; Candler, Ga.; Wilkins, Ohio; Yaple, Mich.; Dingley, Me.; Brunm, Pa.; Adams, Iil.; Henderson, Iowa; Hooper, Va. Coluage, Weights and Measures .- Messrs. Bland, Mo.; Dowd, N.C.; Hardy, N.Y.; Nichols, Ga.; Pusey, Iowa; Lanham, Texas; Tully, Cal.; Belford, Col.; Lacy, Mich.; Chace, R.I.; Everhart, Pa.; Luna, Commerce.-Messrs. Reagan, Texas; Clardy, Mo.; Turner, Ky.: Dunn, Ark.: Seymour, Conn.: Glass cock, Cal.; Woodward, Wis.; Boyle, Pa.; Barksdale. Miss.; O'Neill, Pa.; Davis, Ill.; Wadsworth, N. Y.; Long, Mass.; Stewart, Vt.; Peters, Kan. Foreign Affairs.—Messrs. Curtin, Pa.; Belmont N. Y.; Deuster, Wis.; Clements, Ga.; W. R. Cox, N. C.; G. D. Wise, Va.; Stewart, Texas; Lamb, Ind.; Rice, Mass.; Wait, Conn.; Ketchum, N. Y.; Phelps, N. J.; Hitt, Ill.

Enrolled Bills.-Messrs. Neece, Ill.; Warner, ship contest. Tenn.; Snyder, W. Va.; Staple, Mich.; Peters, Kans.; rivers and harbors. Holmes, Iowa, Mhitary affairs.-Messrs. Rosecrans, Cal.; Slocum. N. Y .; Dibbrell, Tenn.; Morgan, Mo.; Woldford, Ky.; Nicholls, Ga.; Murray, Ohio; Duncan, Pa.; Steele, Ind.; Bayne, Pa.; Lyman, Mass.; Laird, Neb.; Cutcheon, Mich.; Maginnis, Mont. Naval affairs.—Messrs. Cox, N. Y.; Morse, Mass.; Talbott, Md.; Buchanan, Ga.; Eaton, Conn.; Ballantyne, Tenn.; McAdoo, N. J.; Harmer, Pa.; Thomas, Ill.; Goff, Jr., W. Va.; Boutelle, Me. Rivers and Harbors.-Messrs, Willis, Ky.; Blanchrd. La.; Jones, Ala.; Gibson, W. Va.; Rankin, Wis.; Breckenridge, Ky.; Murphy, Iowa; Sumner, Cal.; Hauseman, Mich.; Henderson, Ill.; Bayne, Pa.; Robinson, Ohio; Chace, R. I.; Stone, Mass.; Burleigh Post offices and post roads.-Messrs. Money, Miss. Reese, Ga.; Ward, Ind.; Cosgrove, Mo.; Riggs, Ill. Rogers, Ark.; Taylor, Tenn.; Jones, Tex.; Palge Ohio; Bingham, Pa.: Peelle, Ind.; Skinner, N. Y. White, Ky.; Wakefield, Minn.; McCormick, Ohio. Agriculture.—Messrs. Hatch, Mo.; Alken, S. C.; Dibrell, Tenn.; Williams, Ala.; Beach, N.Y.; Green, N. C.; Winans, Mich.; Weller, Iowa; Patton, Pa. Cullen, Ill.; Wilson, Iowa; White, Minn.; Ochiltree Texas; Harvey, N. J.; Stephenson, Wis.; Raymond Public Lands.-Messrs. Cobb, Ind.; Scales, N. C. Oates, Ala.; Shaw, Ill.; Lewis, La.; Henley, Cal.; Van Eaton, Miss.; Belford, Col.; Straight, Minn.; Anderson, Kan.; Payson, Ill.; Brentz, W. T. Indian Affairs.-Messrs. Welburn, Texas; Grover. Mo.; Stevens, N.Y.; Peel, Ark.; Pierce, Tenn.; Finerty, Ill.; Skinner, N. C.; Smith, Pa.; George, Ore.; Perkins, Kan.; Nelson, Minn.; Ourey, Arizona. Territories.—Messrs. Evins, S. C.; Pryor, Ala.; Arnot, N. Y.; Hardeman, Ga.; Lanham, Tex.; Alexander, Mo.; Carleton, Mich.; Foran, Ohio; Taylor, J. D., Ohio; Kellogg, La.; Johnson, Ill.; Lawrence, Pa.; Struble, Iowa; Post, Wyoming. Railways and Canals .- Messrs. Davidson, Fla. Hobitzell, Md.; Murphy, Iowa; Palge, Ohio; Caldwell, Tenn.; Turner, Ky.; Wemple, N. Y.: Culbert-

son, Ky.; James, N. Y.; Atkinson, Pa.; Hatch, Mich. Manufactures.—Messrs. Bagley, N. Y.; G. D. Wise, Va.; Mitchell, Conn.; Caldwell, Tenn.; Crisp, Ga.; Lewis, La.; Brewer, N. J.; Mackey, S. C.; Ellwood, Ill.; Campbell, Pa.
Mines and Mining.—Messrs. Warner. Tenn. sidy, Nev.; Alexander, Mo.; Skinner, N. C.; Miller, Tex.; Wood, Ind.; Stevens, N. Y.; Breitung, Mich.; Culbertson, Ky.; O'Hara, N. C.; Singiser, Idaho. Levees and Improvements of the Mississippi River.—Messrs. King, La.; Dunn, Ark.; O'Neill, Ill.; Post, Pa.; Campbell, N. Y.; Jones, Wis.; Henley, Cal.; Thomas, Ill.; J. S. Wise, Va.; Howley, N. J.; Whiting, Mass.
Militia.—Messrs. Muller, N. Y.; Covington, Md.;
McAdoo, N. J.; Peel, Ark.; Boyle, Pa.; Ballentyne,
Tenn.; Strait, Minn.; Morey, Ohio; Valentine,
Neb.; Cutcheon, Mich. Public Buildings and Grounds.—Messrs. Stockslager, Ind.; Young, Tenn.; Dibble, S. C.; Reese, Ga.; Hopkins, Pa.; Pusey, Iowa; Wemple, N. Y.. Worthington, Ill.; Brainerd, Pa.; Holton, Md.; Kean, jr., N. J.; Breitung, Mich.; Mulliken, Maine.

Pacific Railrands.—Messrs. Cassidy News Through Pacific Railroads.—Messrs. Cassidy, Nev.; Throck-morton, Texas; Cabell, Va.; Thompson, Jr., Ky.; Jordan, Ohio; Crisp, Ga.; Post, Pa.; Wilson, Iowa; Millard, N. Y.; Dunham, Ill.; Hanback, Kansas. Millard, N. Y.; Dunham, Ill.; Hanback, Kansas.
Patents.—Messrs. Vance, N. C.; Singleton, Miss.;
Mitchell, Conn.; Greenleaf, N. Y.; Halsell, Ky.;
Dargan, S. C.; Winans, Wis.; Hepburn, Iowa.
Education.—Messrs. Aiken, S. C.; Converse, Ohio;
Willis, Ky.; Budd, Cal.; Arnot, N. Y.; Duncan, Pa.;
Winans, Wis.; Taylor, Ohio; Milliken, Maine; Hatch,
Mich.; Morrill, Kansas.
Invalid Pensions.—Messrs. Matson, Ind., Lefevre,
Ohio; Fayan, Mo.; Winans, Mich.; Budd, Cal.; Sumner, Wis.; Patton, Pa.; Lovering, Mass.; Bagley, N.
Y.; Ray, N. H.; Cullen, Ill.; Houk, Tenn.; J. S. Wise,
Va.; Holmes, Iowa; Morrill, Kan.
Pensions.—Messrs. Hewitt, Ala.; Tillman, S. C.;
Robinson, N. Y.; Lefevre, Ohio; Stockslager, Ind.;
Jones, Texas; Wolford, Ky.; Steele, Ind.; Laird, Nev.;
Struble, Iowa; York, N. C.
Expenditures in State Department,—Messrs. Hardeman, Ga.; Dargan, S. C.; Worthington, Ill.;
Campbell, N. Y.; Barr, Pa.; Henderson, Iowa; Price,
Wis.

Expenditures in Treasury Department.—Messrs. Davis, Mo.; Hewitt, Ala.; Porter, N. Y.; Connolly, Pa.; Lacy, Mich.; Libbey, Va.; Haynes, N. H. Labor.—Messrs. Hopkins, Pa.; O'Neill, Mo.; Foran, Ohio; Lovering, Mass.; Mackey, S. C.; James, N. Y.;

Ind.; Hemphill, S. C.; Brown, Pa.; Payne, N. Y.; Spooner, R. I.; McComas, Md.
Expenditures in the War Department.—Messrs.
Thompson, jr., Ky.; Ferrell, N. J.; Taylor, Tenn.;
Elliott, Pa.; Mayo, Va.; Johnson, N. Y.; Hanback, Expenditures in the Navy Department.—Messrs. Morse, Mass.; Hewitt, N. Y.; Shaw, Ill.; Davidson, Fla.; Houk, Tenn.; Davis, Mass.; Lawrence, Pa. Expenditures in the Department of Justice.— Messrs. Springer, Ill.; Hemphill, S. C.; Van Alstyne, N. Y.; Fyan, Mo.; Stewart, Vt.; Bowen, Va.; Ste-phonson, Wis Expenditures on Public Buildings.-Messrs, Belmont, N. Y.; Wilkins, Ohio; Spriggs, N. Y.; Sumner, Wis.; Harmer, Pa.; Weaver, Neb.; O'Hara, N. C. Public Health.—Messrs. Beach, N. Y.; Grows, Mo.; Riggs, Ill.; Candler, Ga.; Fiedler, N. J.; Davis, RESCUED FROM A RAFT AT SEA.

Mass.; Evans. Pa.; Libbey, Va.; Pettibone, Tenn.
Expenditures in P. O. department.—Messrs. Morgan, Mo.; Taibott, Md.; Robinson, N. Y., Neece, Ill.;
Peelle, Ind.; Stone, Mass.; Nutting, N.Y. Peene, Ind.; Stone, Mass.; Nutting, N. I.

Expenditures in Interior department.—Messrs.
Young, Tenn.; Clardy, Mo.; Cook, Iowa; Storm, Pa.;
Brumm, Pa.; Dunham, Ill.; Payne, N. Y.
Accounts.—Messrs. Covington, Md.; Muiler, N.Y.; SIX MINERS CRUSHED TO DEATH AND FIVE FATALLY Dockey, Mc.; Ermentrout, Pa.; Brewer, N. J.; Spooner, R. L.; Adams, ---Mileage.-Messrs. Moulton, Ill.; Wellborn, Tex.; Glasscock, Cal.; Radney, Mass.; Miller, Pa. Rules.—The Speaker, Messrs. Blackburn, Ky.; Randall, Pa.; Keifer, Ohio; and Reed, Me. Ventilation and Acoustics.—Messrs. Hardy, N.Y.; Cabell, Va.; Greene, N.C.; Shelley, Ala.; Jeffords,

Miss.; Evans, Pa.; Brewer, N.Y. JOINT SELECT COMMITTEES. Library.-Messrs. Singleton, Miss.; Woodward, Wis.; Nutting, N. Y. Printing.-Messrs. Scales, N. C.; Rogers, N. Y.;

Campbell, Pa. On law respecting election of President and Vice

thorizing the District Commissioners, in their disalley, provided that said owners shall appropriate for public use as an ailey an area of ground in said square equal to that in the aliey to be conveyed and closed. Referred to the District committee.

member appointed on the committee for the District of Columbia who served on that committee during the Forty-seventh Congress. CAPITOL COMMENT ON THE COMMITTEES. committees was favorable. Judge Murphy, of Iowa, friend in Germany. A few years ago he came to said he believed 85 per cent of the House were well | America to enter college, but he became dissipated pleased. Gen. Dunn, of Arkansas, said that while and his remittances were cut off. He then went to there are weak spots in the organization, it is generally good. Mr. Mills, of Texas, expressed himself as satisfied. Mr. Alexander, of Missouri, regards the organization as very good. The general expression was that the distribution of committee places was made with farmess and justice. Of course, there are some disappointments. Mr. Springer, of Hilmoise, is not satisfied. He was made chairman of the committee on expenditures in the Departmen of Justice, which he spoke of as "next to nothing. The ways and means committee is decidedly "tariff reform," and one of the members said this afternoon, "the country will hear from us." Mr. Horr, of Michigan, said that he thought that the make up of the committees all the way through was horrible. The committee on commerce, with which he is most familiar, he said, was made up in the interest of "the Reagan bill." Mr. Curtin said that he thought the committees would give general satisfaction. They could not have been better. Judge Lowry, Mr. McMilda, Mr. Cobb and many others said about the same thing. Mr. Willis, of Kentucky, the chairman of the

river and harbor committee, says that it must be evident to every one hearing the announcement of the committees of the House that they were selected very cautiously and without any personal feeling. Twenty-nine of the fifty-four chairmanships go to "the states recently in rebellion." Representative Le Fevre is left out in the cold in punishment, it is said, for his course in the speaker-Mr. Willis will favor, he says, a liberal policy on The civil service referm committee raised a smile when read. It contains Cox, Finerty, William Watter Phelps, Theodore Lyman, and other re-Ohlo appropriately gets the chairmanship of the crew that left the Regina in a boat has not been select committee on the alcoholic liquor traffic. Mr. Wellborn, of Texas, succeeds Mr. Haskell as chairman of the committee on Indian affairs. Mr. Cobb, as chairman of the public lands, will make a stiff fight against raffroad land-grant steals. Pennsylvania fared very well in the distribution, and its delegation is satisfied, though, of course,

the interests of the state are threatened by the make-up of the ways and means committee. Mr. Keifer leads the republicans in the appropri-In apointing ex-Senator Eaton to the chairman ship of the electoral committee the Speaker recognizes his sturdy record in the Senate on the seven to eight compromise. Messrs. Buckner and Bland are put where they can one's ideas on finance and currency. Belmont is treated very well. He gets the second place on foreign affairs and the chairmanship of expenditures on public buildings Mr. Tucker will be missed from the ways and means. He goes on the judiciary at his own desire. The new shipping committee is a strong one, and was evidently organized for business. S. S. Cox is very angry at his assignment to naval affairs instead of foreign affairs, and has telegraphed his refusal to serve. His resignation, it is said, will not be accepted. Mr. Springer also feels aggrieved, and attributes his inferior assignments to the influence of Mr. Morrison, who, however, says he had nothing whatever to do with them. Judge Lowry, of Indiana, regards the speaker's work with high favor. He says the best has been

Gen. Singleton, of Mississippi, is another disap-pointed member. He had been chairman of the ommittee on printing under democratic Congresses for years, and expected the same thing, but go Ohio considers herself rather left, though no complaints are made about it. With her thirteen democratic members, Ohio got fewer chairman ships than some other states with a smaller deleg tion. There was some surprise expressed that Mr. Converse should have been left out in the cold, but upon the whole Mr. Wilkins, of Ohio, says the dis-tribution is regarded as very fair. It was said by a prominent democratic member, this afternoon, that Mr. Springer's disappointment was due to the fact that he wanted places it was "impossible" for the Speaker to give him.

COMMITTEE CLERKSHIP. Ex-Speaker Randall this afternoon tendered to Mr. Watson Boyle, who has been his confidential clerk for a long time, the clerkship of the commit-tee on appropriations, but Mr. Boyle declined it and accepted the clerkship of foreign affairs under Mr. COMMITTEE CLERKS APPOINTED.

Mr. H. Snowden, of the Alexandria Gazette, was to-day appointed clerk to the committee on the District of Columbia. Eli Hirshfield, of Tennesser was appointed clerk to the committee on expenditures in the Interior department; Watson Boyle, of the District of Columbia, clerk to the foreign af-fairs committee, and W. H. Malone, of North Caroina, clerk to the committee on patents. A RECEPTION TENDERED TO SPEAKER CARLISLE BY

PHILADELPHIA DEMOCRATS.

Mr. Randall this morning, on behalf of the Com monwealth Club, of Philadelphia, of which he is a director, tendered to Speaker Carlisle a reception to director, tendered to Speaker Cariisle a reception to be given by the club at such time during the month of January as the Speaker should indicate. There will be a banquet given in the afternoon at the club house, to be followed in the evening by a reception, to which prominent citizens of all parties will be present. Mr. Carlisle seemed much gratified at the invitation, and will in a few days name the date. The Commonwealth Club is the leading democratic club of Pennsylvania, and numbers among its members the leading democrats of the Keystone state. Their rooms, corner of Broad and Chestnut streets, are admirably adapted for such entertainments, and there is no doubt that everything will be done to me ke the occasion a most agreeable fone to Mr. Carlisle.

Ohic; Lovering, Mass.; Mackey, S. C.; James, N. Y.; Haynes, N. H.
Private Land Claims.—Messrs. Muldrow, Miss.; Mutchler, Pa.; Williams, Ala.; Halsell, Ky.; Coggroye, Mo.; Eldredge, Mich.; Lowry, Ind.; Payson, Ill.; Parker, N. Y.; Mayo, Va.; Weaver, Neb.
Distict of Columbia.—Messrs. Barbour, Va.; Muldrow, Miss.; Shelley, Ala.; Eldredge, Mich.; Wilson, W. Va.; Fiedler, N. J.; Spriggs, N. Y.; Barr, Pa.; Guenther, Wis.; McComas, Md.; Jeffords, Miss.
Claima.—Messrs. McMillin, Tenn.; Dowd, N. C.; Tillman, S. C.; Warner, Ohio; Van Alstyne, N. Y.; Dockray, Mo.; Wood, Ind.; Love, Del.; Snyder, N. M.; Ray, N. H.; Price, Wis.; Ochiltree, Texas; Ellwood, Ills.; Brown, Pa.; Ray, N. Y.; Weller, Iowa; Ferrell, N. J.; Kellogg, Ia.; Everhart, Pa.; Rowell, Ill.; Bowen, Va.
Revision of Laws.—Messrs. Oates, Ala.; Buchanan, Gd.; McMillin, Tenn.; Hill, Ohio; Clay, Ky.; Ward.

TWO CENTS.

Telegrams to The Star. SNOW AND SLEET STORM.

MINERS UNDER AN AVALANCHE 6 KILLED AND 5 FATALLY HURT.

FATAL EXPLOSION OF A LOCOMOTIVE

Buried Under an Avalanche.

INJURED.

DENVER, Col., Dec. 21.-A dispatch to Tribune from Ouray, Col., says: News has been re-ceived in Ouray of a horrible accident at Virginius mine which occurred Friday last. Owing to the by Mr. Tuke in reply to a recent adverse criticis stormy weather, which has been more severe than upon the work of the Tuke emigration committee has been known for years, the messenger could not reach Ouray sooner, though the distance is only seven miles. The Virginius mine is owned by the

range and swelled into an avalanche as it de that an adjournment would be voted immediately after reading the journal, but instead of that morning business was taken up. Meantime the number of Senators increased to twenty-eight. After the ferson, Ky.; Bingham, Pa.; Phelps, N. J.; Millard, N. Y.; Lyman, Mass.; Flitt, Ill.

Reform in the Civil Service.—Messrs. Mutchler, Pa.; Cox, N. W.; Clements, Ga.; Hobbitzell, Md.; Finnerty, Ill.; Barksdale, Miss.; Seymour, Conn.; Robertson, Ky.; Bingham, Pa.; Phelps, N. J.; Millard, N. Y.; Lyman, Mass.; Flitt, Ill.

Alcoholic Liquer Tracks.

Reform in the Civil Service.—Messrs. Mutchler, Pa.; Cox, N. W.; Clements, Ga.; Hobbitzell, Md.; Finnerty, Ill.; Barksdale, Miss.; Seymour, Conn.; Robertson, Comparison, Compar scended, striking a building used as a boarding After the noise and confusion which followed, Alcoholic Liquor Traffic.—Messrs. Hill, Ohio; other miners holsted from the shaft started to Bland, Mo.; Kleiner, Ind.; Carleton, Mich.; Evans, search for their comrades. Five were taken out S. C.; Davis, Ill.; Guenther, Wis.; Goff, jr., West Va.; alive, but badiy crushed and may die. Six others were found dead. Their names are Thomas Mur-American Ship Building and Ship Owning .- van, Joseph Fitzgerald, Robert Frazer, W. H. Car-Messrs. Slocum, N. Y.; Deuster, Wis.; Dibble, S. C.; michael, Charles Armstrong and William Sheidler. Throckmorton, Tex.; Hunt, La.; Findlay, Md.; Love, Most of them leave families. Reports received from Del.; Dingley, jr., Me.; O'Nelli, Pa.; George, Oregon, the mountain town state that there has been unusual fall of snow, it being from four to six feet deep on the level. The warm weather of the past resident. - Messrs Eaton, Conn.; Springer, Ill.; Clay, few days is the cause of the snow slides, which are

> Senator Sherman to-day introduced a bill au-detectives. When applicants called be obtained cretion to convey to the owners of abutting lots the with bogus cases to work up. This was the last ground occupied by the alley running east and the victims saw of Kohfahi or money. A number west in square 234, and to vacate and close up that of complaints are entered against him and others | bushels; rye. 3,000 bushels. are expected. The Day We Celebrate.

New York, Dec. 24 .- A national salute was fired to-day from Fort Columbus, Governor's Island, celebrating the one hundredth anniversary of the Samuel F. Barr, of Pennsylvania, was the only day on which Washington resigned his commission as commander-in-chief of the army. Two Barbers in Luck. New Haven, Conn., Dec. 24.-Intelligence has

> work in a barber shop. The wife of Henry Pensafrom her mother in Italy. Both barbers have given

up their occupations. A Bepraved Couple. JERSEY CITY, N. J., Dec. 24. - Victor Kless, a pattern maker, arrived from Austria about two years ago and located at Mauch Chunk, Pa. His teen-year-old daughter accompanied him. there was a fine young mechanic in love with the result of the inquiries as to O'Donnell's citizen laughter and desired to wed her. She asked the eling companion during the long journey. Kless sent the money for both. The young man was Emerich Seekley, and he is now in prison, in Jersey City, charged with grand larceny. He was the paramour of Mrs. Kiess, and three weeks ago he and his mistress fied from Mauch Chunk and locawere recognized by a friend of the deserted husband, and the latter came on and procured a war-

Another Tragedy of the Sen. SIX MEN FIVE DAYS ON A RAFT WITHOUT FOOD OR WATER. CORK, Dec. 24.-The bark Helen Finlayson, from New York November 20, has arrived here. She rescued at sea from a raft Captain Bain and five men of the British ship Regina, which safled from Philadelphia November 6 for London, and went to pieces in a gale December 4. The rescued men had

they had neither food nor water. A part of the heard from. The Prevailing Storm. SNOW AND SLEET IN MISSOURI.

damage therefrom has been reported. Telegraphic that he was impressed by the apparent truth of the and railroad communication remains unbroken. The storm seems to have been severer east of the Mississippl. TEAINS INTERRUPTED AND WIRES DOWN. NEW YORK, Dec. 24.-Travel and traffic were greatly interrupted to-day by the seven inches of snow which fell last night. People are busy shopdo the most good or the most harm, according to the post office authorities stated at noon that no mails had arrived to-day, except the Pittsburg mail, which was due at 10 o'clock last night and did not get here until 9:30 o'clock this morning. The New York Central railroad reported at 7 a. m. that their mails were three hours behind, and at noon they

> are all down and no word could be obtained. The south was also to be heard from. THE CHIO RIVER RISING RAPIDLY. CINCINNATI, OHIO, December 24.—The rain ceased during the night, and the Ohio river is rising rapidly to-day. The Licking river began to pour out early this morning. The steamer Champie with a fleet of eight or nine coal barges, broke from her moorings in the Licking, and was swept down the river. The steamer had no steam up and was helpless. Another steamer, which went in pursuit of her, has not yet been heard from. Much addi-tional loss from flooded cellars and broken roofs is

TRAINS DELAYED IN NEW ENGLAND. Boston, Dec. 24.-Trains on all roads are more or less delayed by the storm. A Fatal Railroad Accident

NEW HAVEN, CONN., Dec. 24.—Early this morning New York bound freight train on the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad got stuck near Milford in a large snow drift, which extinguished the fire and caused an expiosion, which biew out the furnace door. The engineer, F. Ross, was badly scalded; the fireman, J. Lynch, was badly burned. Conductor Searles, who was assisting the fireman, was blown from the engine into the drift. He lost a few teeth and received several braiders. He lost a few teeth and received several bruises. Later reports say that the engineer and firemen were killed.

Funeral of Father Gillespie. NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The funeral of Father John Gillespie, who died in a Brooklyn hospital a few days ago, took place to-day. The deceased was a well-known mission priest in the west. Relief of Pauper Immigrants.

Descriers from the U. S. Army Kidmapped in Camada.

Offawa, Dec. 24.—The government is considering
the case of Henry Watson, a Nova Scotian, and
Franklin Switzer, of Ontario, under arrest in Minnesota for desertion from the U. S. army. These
men, were, it is alleged, seized by the U. S. authories when in Canadian territory in the northwest, and conveyed from Canada to the United
States by force.

An Accident or a Murder. HOBOKEN, N. J., Dec. 24.—The body of Caroline Silger was found on Saturday night lying besides the entrance of her house on Tonnele avenue, North Bergen. The side railing of the porch was broken, and it would seem that sue had situed, and in trying to recover herself had grasped the railing, which giving way had carried her down with it. She was fifty-five years old and her husband is twenty years younger. Her daughter and sister charge the husband with meaning her from the stoop.

Peland, Mr., Dec. 24.—At Summit station, two railway has a crossing for freight and passen trains. On Saturday night a freight train, runn down the main line, passed the station, and dashed into by the Montreal passenger train, sing ing ten loaded freight cars, and injuring the bi gage master, engineer and fireman of the pe train. The baggage master was seriously but fataliy injured. The loss is \$30,000.

A Railroad Smash Up.

General Fereign News by Cable CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 24.—The suicide of Ge ourdan, the Portuguese consul, is attribute

Paris, Dec. 24.—M. De Lesseps, in delivering lecture yesterday, at Abbeville, Department of Somme, repeatedly declared that as long as he of als sons lived the Suez canal would remain un rench control.

LONDON, Dec. 24—Hon. J. H. Brand has been unanimously re-elected president of the Orange

THE TRANSVAAL NEGOTIATIONS. An Amsterdam newspaper says that the negot tions of the Transvaal delegates with Lord Der

British colonial secretary, have probably be A STEEL CRUISER FOR CHINA. Vette Ninthin (jewel of the south) has been launche

here. She carries ten Armstrong guns and a ter ASSISTED EMIGRANTS. London, Dec. 24.-Mr. Tuke, chairman of To migration committee, in a letter to the Times, quotes coplous extracts from letters expre gratitude of emigrants who have been as

In their passage to America by the Tuke fund Many Instances are cited in which emigrants are re turning their passage money. Of 5,400 persons as sisted to emigrate in 1883 by the Tuke committee one-third went to Canada, and the other two-thirds to the United States. Mr. Tuke says: "From the inspectors and from American bishops and priests w have accumulated evidence that they had enjoyed great happiness in helping to swell the ranks of the properous free and intelligent millions of the Irish race in America. The communication was written

THE STEAMSHIP BOLIVIA AFLOAT. Glasgow, Dec. 24.—The steamship Carolina Mining company of Eoston. It employs beached in the Firth of Clyde on Friday night, after having run upon a bank, has been pulled off and the foot of the Snefla's range. On Friday afternoat, the foot of the Snefla's range. On Friday afternoat, the foot of the Snefla's range. 35 men, and it is situated above the timber line at the foot of the Snefla's range. On Friday afternoon, a huge mass of snow started from the top of the Glasgow for repairs.

> Bolivar and Magadela. PANAMA, Dec. 15 .- The state governments of Boll var and Magdalena have exchanged promises of peace and friendship. The same comp drew up this declaration signed a second, under

which the two states agree to make the sale of al-Fire. PORTSMOUTH. OHIO, Dec. 24.-D. McFar land's bus ness block burned yesterday. Loss \$11,000, insur-

The Markets. President.—Messrs Eaton, Conn.; Springer, Ill.; Clay, Ky.; Jourdan, Ohio; Pryor, Ala.; Bennett, N. C.; Kielner, Ind.; Findlay, Md.; Parker, N. Y.; White, Ky.; Peters, Kan.; Hart, Ohio; Wait, Conn. On Payment of Pensions, Bounties and Back Pay.—Messrs. Warner, Ohio; Connolly, Pa.; Pierce, Tenn.; Rogers, Ark.; Greenleaf, N. Y.; Brewer, N. Y.; Vork, N. C.; Whiting, Mass.; Anderson, Kan. Ventilation and Accounts.—Messrs. Hardy, N. Y.; Cabell, Va.; Greene, N. C.; Shelly, Ala.; Jeffords, Miss.; Evans, Pa.; Brewer, N. Y.

The District in Congress.

BILL FOR CHANGE OF AN ALLEY.

Sension: Springer, Ill.; Clay, Ky.; Peters, Kan. Ventilation and Accounts.—Messrs and Back Pay.—In the level. The warm weather of the past few days is the cause of the snow sildes, which are a common occurrence late in the spring, but are not looked for at this season of the year, which will make the present one all the more disastrous. Other accounts of equally calamitous character may be expected as soon as messengers can make their way from the interior sections.

A Private Betective Charged with Swindling.

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New York, Dec. 24.—John Kohfahl, a "private detective," is a prisoner at police headquarters, to day, charged with swindling. He had offices at 243 Broadway, and inserted advertisements in the control of the year, which will make the present one all the more disastrous. On Payment of Pensions sixes, second series, 40; Past-due coupons, 40; Picture, 41; Picture, 42; Virginia sixes, second series, 40; Past-due coupons, 40; Picture, 41; Picture, 40; Picture, 41; Picture, 42; Virginia sixes, second series, 40; Past-due coupons, 40; Picture, 41; Picture, 41; Picture, 42; Virginia sixes, second series, 40; Past-due coupons, 42; Picture, 41; Picture, 41; Picture, 42; Virginia sixes, second series, 40; Picture, 42; Virginia sixes, second series, 40; Picture, 42; Picture, 43; Picture, 44; Picture, 44 BALTIMORE, Dec. 24.-Virginia sixes, consolide

fresh, 28a30; pickled, 20a22. Petroleum unchanged, Coffee firmer—Rio cargoes ordinary to fair, 10%11%. Sugar steady—A soft, 8; copper refined quiet, 14%11%. Whisky steady, 1.18a1.18%. Freights to Liverpool per steamer unchanged. Receipts—flour, 1.355 bushels; wheat, 19,000 bushels; corn, 74,000 bushels; oats, 2,000 bushels; ore, 3,000 bushels; oats, 2,000 bushels; wheat, 103,000 bushels: corn, 36,000 bushels The O'Bonnell Case.

THE OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE WITH GREAT

BRIGAIN.

The Secretary of State to-day submitted to Con-

gress all the correspondence relating to the O'Donnell case. The following is a synopsis of the cor-On the 8th of October the Secretary of State been received by Henry Leyerzaph, a journeyman barber of this city, that in a few weeks he will come received from Mr. Hoppin, of the U. S. legation at closing a note from the governor of the prison stating that O'Donnell, a prisoner there, claimed American citizenship, and was anxious to have a bine, another New Haven barber, will receive \$7,000 | solicitor appointed. Mr. Hoppin stated that he went to the police and was shown a mutilated copy of a certificate of naturalization. On the 5th of October the Secretary of State wrote to Mr. Lowell to ascertain whether O'Donnell was an American citizen, and to do what be could for him.

RECORD OF G'DONNELL'S CAREER IN AMERICA. On October 18th Mr. Hoppin wrote to the Secre and, alluding to the mutilated certificate, state husband to send money to defray the young man's that as he was known by the name of Michael, at that as he was known by the name of Michael, at that as he was known by the name of Michael, at the passage, as it would be so pleasant to have a travject. He since inquired of the police authorities and learned that the prisoner was born in Ireland bout 1835, went to the United States in 1863, enitsted in the army and soon deserted, returned ireland about 1879, remained there until 1874 or 1875, when he again returned to the ted in Greenville, this city. Seckley and Mrs. Kless | United States, and afterwards went to Ireland. In 1882 he went to the United States, and returned to Ireland shortly before he left for Cape Town. Mr. rant for grand larceny against Seckley, who was Hoppin further stated that a competent solicit Mr. Guy, and a distinguished barrister, Mr. Su van, had been retained for the defense, and that it was reported that Mr. Charles Russell, Q. C., M. P. was also retained, as well as Mr. Pryor and Mr.

Fulierton. He stated that the trial had been post poned until November, which would give ample time for securing witnesses. October 20th, before the receipt of the above disbeen upon the raft five days, during which time don legation to ascertain whether O'Donnell was a United States citizen. This Mr. Hoppin answere by telegraph on the 22d of October, stating that O'Donnell claimed citizenship through his father's naturalization, during his own minority, but for security had taken out papers in 1876 at Ironton, O. further that O'Donnell said that he had re sided in the United States continuously for sever St. Louis, Dec. 21.—Snow and sleet rell at several years prior to his naturalization, and that he knows olnts in Missouri, Saturday night, but no serious

nothing of the alias "Michael." Mr. Hoppin added

statments. Further correspondence with Mr. Hoppin as to O'Donnell's citizenship and war record is given. MINISTER LOWELL REQUESTED TO INTERPERE December 11th Mr. Frelinghuysen directed Mr. Lowell to request a delay of execution of the sentence, and that a careful examination of the case be made, and that the prisoners counsel be permitted to present any alleged points of error. On the 15th Mr. Lowell answered, giving the final decision "that the counsel for O'Donnell having submitted such represent ations as he thought advisable on behalf of the had not arrived. In the eastern states the wires prisoner, these representations and all other cirsumstances of the case have been carefully examined and considered in the manner usual in the case of capital convictions, and her majesty's government find no grounds upon which they would be justified in advising the crown to interfere with the

sentence of the law or its execution." THE PROOFS OF O'DONNELL'S CITIZENSHIP. A letter written by the Secretary of State to the President, December 11, presented a synopsis of the case. The paper says that O'Donnell's "claims to citizenship, through his father's act, resis on his own statement; no proof of the fact is found or furnished, and it is not confirmed by other members of the family that the father ever was nat Had he been, Patrick O'Donnell need not have applied for naturalization. As to the second point (O'Donnell's war service), O'Donnell himself says that an injury to his arm prevented his enlistment in the army, but that he was employed as a teamster in 1864 on a United States government supp train in Colorado.

It has not been thought necessary to verify this statement, for if true the fact would not give him the right to naturalization as one who had served in the army, and, moreover, the certificate is not granted on the ground of his having been a soldier. In support of the third allegation he produces a certificate of his naturalization on November 6, 1876, by the probate court of Lawrence county Ohio. This certificate was issued in conformit with section 2167 of the Revised Statutes, which provides that "any alien, being under the age of 21 years, who has resided in the United State three years next preceding his arriving at that age, and who had continued to reside therein to the time he may make application to be admitted a citizen thereof," may be admitted on making the prescribed declaration at that time instead of two years before naturalization. It has not been thought necessary to verify years before naturalization.

Relief of Pamper Immigrants.

Toronto, Ontario, dec. 24.—The Irish citizens here heid a meeting yesterday for the purpose of bringing before their countrymen and the public generally the present distressed condition of the pamper immigrants in this city. A substantial sum was subscribed to alleviate their immediate wants, and an influential committee was appointed to can vass for funds.

The President's Movements.

New York, Dec. 24.—President Arthur breakfasted at the Fifth Avenue hotel this morning with the Hon. J. C. Reed and Chas. E. Miller. He spent the day in shopping, and this evening will dine at the hotel with Mr. Miller and Surrogate Rollins. At midnight le will leave for Washington in President Roberts' gar. He will return here on Thursday or Friday next to take his sister to Washington and receive with him on New Year's day. The President had but few visitors to-day.

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The act of naturalization being, how judicial decision, it can only be impeached ing to the rules established in the Spanish can commiss. by showing want of judicial commission on the part of the ranking court; or that the lization was in violation of treaty stipulate. Patrick O'Donnell has a certificate of action. He may have observed to by his own

evidence of citizenship, evidence that O'Donnell prac-court, the United States sepa-structed to consider O'Donnell lished."